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GLENDALE OFFERS FREE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM TO KEEP RESIDENTS INFORMED

GLENDALE, Ariz. – The city of Glendale is kicking off its annual free program for citizens to help them stay informed and closely track neighborhood-related matters and newly introduced bills being discussed at the State Capitol.

Glendale's Neighborhood Legislative Link program not only keeps residents up to date on issues impacting their local community, but it also provides citizens a way to actively engage themselves in the state law-making process.

Residents are invited to attend one of the Legislative Link Kickoff meetings that Mayor Elaine Scruggs is hosting from 6 – 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 4 and Thursday, December 11 at the Glendale Adult Center, located at 5970 W. Brown Street.

At the kickoff meeting, residents will learn:

- How the Arizona State Legislature works
- Who represents Glendale at the State Legislature
- How a bill becomes law
- How to track neighborhood issues being discussed at the State Legislature
- How to analyze a bill in a fun interactive exercise
- Tips and techniques on how to effectively communicate with state legislators to influence legislation

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Residents are asked to register in advance of the meeting by calling 623-930-2813 or via email at dburt@glendaleaz.com by Tuesday, December 2 for the December 4th class or by Tuesday, December 9 for the December 11th class.

"This program offers Glendale residents the opportunity to be informed about the State

Legislative issues that may impact their quality of life, whether it relates to public safety, zoning or
educational issues," says Glendale Intergovernmental Programs Coordinator Ryan Peters. "Our
residents' active involvement during the upcoming 2009 state legislative session can make a
difference for the benefit of our neighborhoods and the community as a whole."

Citizens who register for the program will receive timely e-mail updates and alerts from the city when neighborhood issues are being discussed at the State Capitol. Residents unable to attend the kickoff meeting, but interested in receiving the e-mail updates may call the Intergovernmental Programs Office at 623-930-2813 or e-mail dburt@glendaleaz.com.